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IF I had not a good deal of Tenderneſs for the Proprietor of this Paper, and his Intereſt in its Succeſs, I would never break through my Promiſe to take no farther Notice of the *Grub-ſtreet Journal*; or, indeed concern myſelf with any of the Subjects in Controverſy more.——I have met with ſuch Variety of cauſeleſs and provoking Abuſe, have been cenſur'd in ſo low and ignorant a Manner, have been ſo groſsly and imperiouſly miſrepreſented, that neither the Senſe nor the Manners of my Adverſaries deſerve a Reply; and, tho' I may be hurt by their Malice, I can reap no Advantage by their Overthrow.——'Twould be therefore but putting a juſt Value upon myſelf, and but treating them with the Contempt their own little Minds deſerve, to drop the whole Diſpute at once, and let them rail on neglected, till they are tir'd of their own Spleen, as the Publick has long ſince been of attending to it.——But the Motive above-mention'd weighs down theſe Conſiderations, and I ſacrifice a ſmall Portion of my Time and Patience more: Not indeed with the Hope of convincing them, Dulneſs and Malice are not acquainted with ſo much Ingenuity, and I ſhould as much wonder to ſee them acknowledge Truth, as write with Elegance and Underſtanding.——After this is premis'd, I have nothing elſe to do, before I begin, but to intreat my Readers to pardon me for engaging them in a dry Debate, when 'tis rather my Buſineſs to entertain them, and for repeating ſeveral Things during the Proceſs of it, which they are acquainted with already: This, indeed, I am in a Manner obliged to do, becauſe the Sincerity and Openneſs of my Intentions will appear much plainer, and more undeniably, from Paſſages occaſionally dropt, than any ſet Apology whatever.

I ſhall begin therefore with ſuch as explain the Motives of the Remarks, which conſtitute the *Critical Review*; one of which is the very firſt Paragraph that introduces the Subject.

'As nothing contributes more to the Grandeur and 'Magnificence of a City, than noble and elegant Build-'ings, ſo nothing produces an heavier Cenſure on a Na-'tion's Taſte, than thoſe which are otherwiſe: 'Tis for 'this Reaſon highly laudable to ſtir up the Publick to an 'Attention to ſuch elegant and proper Decorations as theſe, 'not only in Regard to the Fame of the People in gene-'ral, but their Intereſt too. One of the chief Reaſons 'why *Italy* is ſo generally viſited by all Foreigners of Ge-'nius and Diſtinction, is owing to the Magnificence of 'their Structures, and their Number and Variety: They 'are a continual Bait to invite their Neighbours to lay out 'their Money among them, and one may reaſonably aſ-'ſert, that the Sums which have been expended for the 'bare Sight of thoſe elegant Piles, have more than paid 'the original Charge of their Building. This *Lewis* XIV. 'was ſufficiently apprized of when he undertook *Verſailles*, 'and the Company that ſingle Fabrick has drawn into '*France*, has made that Crown ample Amends for the 'Expence of erecting it; and they have both the Uſe and 'Reputation of it ſtill into the Bargain. 'Tis high Time 'therefore for us to look about us too, and endeavour to 'vie with our Neighbours in Politeneſs, as well as Power 'and Empire.'

After the *Review* was publiſh'd, and met with ſo good a Reception from the Town, I was encourag'd to proceed farther with my Deſign, and writ a Paper on Purpoſe to explain what Points I had next in View, and the Advantages which might proceed from them, as will appear in the following Quotation from it.

'When we have gone through ſuch a Series of Pic-'tures, as will ſerve to give our Readers a compleat Body 'of Taſte in that Walk; we ſhall then change our Subject 'again, and take a Review of all the remarkable Villas for 'thirty Miles round *London*; after which, if we meet 'with ſuitable Encouragement, we ſhall make a Tour to '*Oxford* and *Blenheim*, and perhaps to the moſt remark-'able Places in the Kingdom; that both *Foreigners* and '*Britons* may have a compleat View of all our Curioſities 'at once, and our Poſterity make it a Standard to judge of 'the Improvement or Decline of their Taſte by ours.

'In this Progreſs, all the Gardens, Parks, Groves, Viſ-'tas, Water-Works, Areas, Grotto's, and all other Deco-'rations which belong to Grandeur and Ornament, will 'be diſtinctly conſider'd; all their Beauties will be pointed 'out, and all their Faults; ſo that Curioſity may need no 'other Guide but this, to inform it what is worthy of its 'Attention, and be directed to it in the moſt ſhort and en-'tertaining Manner. Many People now travel firſt for In-'telligence where any Thing curious is to be found, and 'afterwards to the Thing itſelf: Whereas this would ſave 'them the firſt Labour entirely, and be no ill Companion 'in the laſt.'

'Thus this Paper will become an Entertainment of the 'moſt peculiar Kind of any now publiſh'd, and, in our 'humble Opinion, will have the beſt Title to Succeſs: 'Nothing of this Kind has been attempted in *England* 'before, and, if it does not meet with Encouragement, 'we preſume ought never to be ventur'd on again: 'Tis 'an Undertaking much wanted, and may be of Service 'even to the Publick in general, tho' it may ſeem particu-'lar now to the Proprietors of this Paper only. Our 'Taſte is not ſo univerſal as we flatter ourſelves it is, and 'many of the firſt Figure, amongſt us, have none at all. 'That which we commonly underſtand by fine Breeding 'has little or nothing to do with it, and conſequently our 'modern fine Gentlemen are intirely out of the Queſtion: 'Neither is it more a-kin to Languages, or the dull 'Drudgery of reading a thouſand Authors: No, 'tis the 'Reſult of a delicate Mind, a large Imagination, an uni-'verſal Knowledge, a thorough Acquaintance with the 'Laws of Beauty and Harmony, and an almoſt enthuſia-'ſtick Ardour for the Muſes in general.

'To inſpire this Ardour, to explain theſe Laws, to pro-'pagate that Knowledge, to awaken that Imagination, 'and to poliſh that Mind, is the Buſineſs of this Paper, 'and, however unequal we may be to the Undertaking, 'yet even to undertake it deſerves ſome Praiſe: By this 'Means, at leaſt, a Door is open'd for a Correſpondence 'with thoſe of better Genius, and more finiſh'd Judg-'ment, whoſe Aſſiſtance we ſhould be proud to acknow-'ledge, and, who may make this Paper a Vehicle of con-'veying their ſuperior Sentiments to inrich or correct ours.

'Neither is this the only Advantage that will attend 'it: Thoſe, that are in Poſſeſſion of any Thing rare or 'elegant, will have the Satisfaction of ſeeing it diſtin-'guiſh'd as it deſerves, and of receiving the publick Ap-'plauſe. Thoſe who deſign to render themſelves, or their 'Acquiſitions equally eminent, may here, perhaps, meet 'with a Hint that may help to make their Endeavours, 'that Way, more effectual, and ſave them from the Pain 'of a Diſappointment.

'Thoſe, whoſe Fortunes will not allow them to make 'ſuch expenſive Claims to Reputation, and yet have all 'the Reliſh imaginable for Beauty and Magnificence, may 'be entertain'd here, with a Proſpect of all the Graces 'they admire, may have the Satisfaction of travelling 'through all the Charms of all the Sciences, and of enter-'taining their Minds with Improvements upon them all.

'Thoſe, who are Profeſſors of any of theſe Arts, or 'indeed of any other that have a like Relation to Taſte 'and Politeneſs, ought to be particularly pleas'd that a Way 'is open'd of introducing their Performances to the World, 'with ſuch Advantages as may more effectually excite an 'Attention in their Favour, and ſecure them what Por-'tion of Approbation they deſerve. 'Tis true, they may 'ſometimes be afraid of Cenſure, as well as in hope of 'Praiſe: But then even that Cenſure will be calculated 'to ſerve, and not expoſe them; and a Fault obſerv'd in 'one Piece, may be a Means of preventing a worſe in a-'nother: To which let us add, that only the Underlings 'in any Art can be hurt by ſuch Criticiſms, and we pre-'ſume the true Genius can neither be alarm'd nor diſ-'pleas'd, to ſee his Profeſſion both purg'd and exalted to-'gether.

'To conclude, in the preſent Situation of Learning in '*England*, there is no Way ſo probable to bring it into 'Faſhion, as to make it underſtood: Moſt People affect to 'deſpiſe what they don't underſtand, and if we can con-'vince the People of Fortune of the Pleaſure which re-'ſulted from a fine Taſte, it would become their Intereſt 'to make it their own immediately.'

Theſe were the Views, theſe were the Motives that induc'd me to undertake the *Critical Review*, and the Papers which ſince follow'd it, and theſe were the Benefits which I flatter'd myſelf would be the Conſequence.—— Let me therefore appeal to every candid and ſenſible Reader, whether ſuch a Deſign deſerv'd to be treated with ſuch Contempt as ſeveral Writers have affected to beſtow upon it: Whether thoſe Gentlemen can have the Genius they would be thought to have, who have ſo ſtudiouſly endeavour'd to ſtifle a Deſign that was calculated to anſwer ſuch noble Ends, and vilify an Author who made it his Buſineſs to make Taſte and Elegancy of Mind univerſal. ——Surely if every one of the Faults which are objected to me were literally true to their Repreſentation, and every one of their Corrections were indiſputably right, yet ſtill ſomething of Praiſe will be my Due notwithſtanding: For 'twas owing to my Deſign originally, that theſe Points came into Diſpute, and, if the Publick comes to the Truth on either Side, 'tis my Hints were the Occaſion of it, and to me therefore ſome Part of the Acknowledgment will ever belong. This indeed is partly confeſs'd by the Author of *Lectures on Architecture* lately publiſh'd, who, tho' a very partial Critick, and very perplex'd Writer, could not avoid doing me that Juſtice, as may be ſeen by the following Quotation from his Preface.

There is one Thing however which deſerves our Notice and Applauſe, and that is, that the Author of the Critical Review *has the Happineſs of firſt attempting to refine the Taſte of our modern Architects, by ſhewing them Examples of publick Deſigns, which have been eſteem'd the moſt noble and regular Productions of the preſent Age, as well as preceding ones. And if theſe* Lectures *ſhould, in any Meaſure, contribute to the Advancement or improving the Genius of young* Students *in* Architecture, *I may at leaſt claim the ſecond Place*, &c.

One Part of my View was to ſet better Writers to take the Work out of my Hands: I did not pretend to be infallible, and if twenty ſhould ſucceed me with more Honour to themſelves, and greater Advantage to the Publick, 'twill be ſo far from giving me Pain, that I ſhall greatly rejoice at it. The Improvement of Learning in general being, in my Opinion, of infinitely higher Importance than any one Man's particular Reputation.——

But, I am far from avowing, that I have undertaken a Deſign that I did not, in ſome Meaſure, underſtand. I have given my worſt Enemies all the Opportunity they could deſire of a regular Condemnation, if they pleaſe to make Uſe of it; for, in ſpite of their ridiculous Inſinuations, that I have made Uſe of the Terms of Art, without knowing the Principles, I have given a general Sketch both of *Architecture* and *Painting*, the laſt in the *Regiſter* N° 222, and the firſt at the End of the *Critical Review*.——Let theſe therefore be fairly examin'd, and, if they are falſe, abſurd, inconcluſive, or ſtolen from any other Author, I'll ſubmit to any Cenſure that Prejudice and Ill-Nature itſelf can inflict upon me. The Preface to the *Critical Review* ſhall likewiſe ſerve as a Standard of my Notions of *Taſte* in general, and whether I was intitled to make any Applications of them to either of the abovemention'd Arts.

After this fair and equitable Appeal, with Perſons of Honour and Integrity, I ſhould have no Need to add any Thing farther; but as I have the Misfortune to be oppos'd by thoſe of a quite oppoſite Character, I will make another Quotation from the *Regiſter* N° 222, and leave the Concluſion of the Controverſy to my next Paper.——After which I will never reſume it any more.——

'Architecture, Statuary, Gardening, and Painting, are 'generally eſteem'd Studies ſo delicate and expenſive, as 'to ingroſs a Man's whole Life, to come to any tolerable 'Perfection in either; and that a Knowledge in them all 'is rather too much to fall to any one Man's Share: What

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' theſe Aſſertions are applied to the Profeſſors of theſe Stu-
' dies, I am of the ſame Opinion; but I can by no
' Means allow it to be true with Reſpect to the Judge.
' The firſt muſt have a thorough Inſight into the very
' Elements of Art, with all its Relations, Dependences,
' and Powers; muſt have a Genius to invent, as well as
' Taſte to regulate and improve; and know in a Moment
' how to cure a Defect, or add a Beauty: Whereas the
' laſt ſets up with a much more ſuperficial Knowledge,
' and, inſtead of inventing himſelf, only confines his Ta-
' lent to the Imagination of others: The Object before
' him ſupplies him, on the Spot, with the Ground-work
' of his Criticiſm; he has the Advantage of the Maſter's
' Genius, as well as his own, and is even directed by the
' Errors he obſerves, how to remove them.——Hence it
' happens that a Man of much leſs Underſtanding, than
' the Artiſt himſelf, may refine upon his Plans, and, by
' only going on the Principles he finds laid down to his
' Hand, put in for an Applauſe, that he has very little
' Title to enjoy.——This I frankly own to have been very
' often my Caſe; and, of courſe, were I to ſet up as an
' Inventor, I ſhould be more liable to fall into Abſurdi-
' ties, than any one of thoſe I have preſum'd to cenſure
' ſo freely.

' Would all the Adepts in the Arts and Sciences be as
' ſincere in their Confeſſions, would they lay aſide all
' Narrowneſs of Mind, and ſtrip their Studies of all the
' pompous Apparatus, which they are artfully ſurrounded
' with, only to amuſe the Vulgar, and bar the Avenues to
' Knowledge; would they do this, as 'tis both their In-
' tereſt and Duty, we ſhou'd immediately diſcern there
' was no more in either of them, than plain Good Senſe,
' particularly modified, and aſſiſted by the Imagination
' aſſimilated to it: Plain Good Senſe therefore in any
' Man would ſoon initiate him into as much of an Art
' and Science, as would qualify him to be a Judge; and
' by the ſame Law that he acquir'd an Inſight into one,
' he might become equally acquainted with them all.

' Let me therefore be ingenuous enough to avow that
' this has been my only Rule and Guide, to come at the
' firſt Principles of any Science, or the juſt and natural
' Uſe that was to be made of them: Neither am I vain
' enough to imagine that I have made any one Remark,
' which any other Perſon, on the ſame Foundation, might
' have not made as well.

' If I have made any particular Science my particular
' Study, 'tis Poetry; and as I judg'd that to be an Epi-
' tome of the reſt, I thought it my Duty to make Uſe of
' all Opportunities, to acquire ſome Knowledge in them
' all: Accordingly, from my Youth upwards, I indulg'd
' my Curioſity in viſiting all the Buildings, Gardens,
' Paintings, and Statues, that could help my Underſtand-
' ing and enrich my Imagination: A Poet, in my Opi-
' nion, but ill deſerves that Name, who has neglected the
' Advantages, that ſuch Obſervations would afford him;
' and I am afraid a Want of Taſte in his own Compoſi-
' tions, would betray his Inattention to the Excellency of
' thoſe of others. Neither are the Profeſſors of other ele-
' gant Studies to be excus'd, if they are not converſant
' with the Poets; *Spencer* in particular, who, alone,
' would be of more real Service to them, than all the reſt
' together. In ſhort, the Sciences reflect a Light upon
' one another, and I am perſuaded 'tis next to impoſſible,
' that any Man ſhould be a Maſter in one, without hav-
' ing ſome Reliſh for them all.

' 'Twas therefore with a Side Glance only that I have
' attended thoſe Subjects which have lately employ'd my
' Pen, and only as Parts of what I made my principal
' Point in View: So that, if I have not touch'd upon them
' with as much Propriety and Maſtery as the Nature of
' them demand, let it be remember'd, they were not the
' Buſineſs of my Life; and, if I have done more than in
' this Light might have been expected from me, I would
' not have it thought Chance only, or that I call'd in the
' Aſſiſtance of any Body elſe.

' Such Remarks as I have publiſh'd, are really my own,
' without the leaſt Advice from thoſe who make ſuch Stu-
' dies their Buſineſs or Diverſion, without ſo much as
' communicating them to a Friend, or even conſulting
' any Syſtem of Architecture, Statuary, or Painting.
' Such as they are, they are the Effect of common and
' natural Obſervations, ſuch, as I have obſerv'd before,
' as any other Gentleman may make, and made publick in
' ſuch Language, as any common Reader may underſtand.'

SATURDAY, *July* 6.

YESTERDAY Mr. *Joſeph Beachcroft*, Haberdaſher, who was drank to by Sir *Francis Forbes*, Knt. in the Year 1726, and *Caleb Cotesworth*, Eſq; who was drank to by Sir *Edward Becher*, Knt. in the Year 1728, as being eligible to ſerve the Office of Sheriff of this City, paid their reſpective Fines into the Chamber of *London*, to excuſe them from ſerving the ſaid Office.

The ſame Day came on a farther Hearing of the Cauſe, before the Right Worſhipful *Humphrey Henchman*, Doctor of Laws, Chancellor of *London*, between Sir *Francis C*——, Bart. and his Lady, in a Cauſe of Divorce promoted by the ſaid Baronet, when the Judge was pleaſed to order Sir *Francis* to pay her 300l. *per Annum*, to commence from the Beginning of the Suit (what ſhe has had during the Dependance of the ſaid Suit being firſt deducted thereout) to be paid quarterly; and alſo 100l. *per Annum* more for the further Charges of defraying the Law Suit.

Yeſterday the Right Hon. the Counteſs of *Pembroke* was ſafely deliver'd of a Son and Heir, at his Lordſhip's Houſe in the *Privy-Garden*, *Whitehall*.

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to grant his moſt gracious Pardon to *John Brown*, *John Weedon*, and *Joſeph Cox*, who were condemned in laſt *October* Seſſions for a Robbery on the Highway; and whilſt they lay under Condemnation, *Brown* and *Whitlock* were taken and condemned for robbing Col. *Des Romanes* at *Paddington*, who owned that they were the Perſons that committed that Robbery, on which their Execution was reſpited; and they having given Bail to plead to his Majeſty's next general Pardon, are diſcharged from their Confinement in *Newgate*. And,

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to reprieve, in order for Tranſportation for 14 Years, *Mary Brown*, who was condemned the ſaid Seſſions for coining with her Huſband *John Brown*, and he executed at *Tyburn* in *December* laſt; but ſhe pleading her Belly, was then reſpited during Pleaſure.

Marriage. On Thurſday Mr. *Wright* of *Clifford's-Inn*, was married to Miſs *Price*, Daughter of *John Price*, Eſq; a young Lady of a conſiderable Fortune.

MONDAY, *July* 8.

On Saturday laſt Mr. *George Ruſſel*, Loriner, who was drank to by Sir *William Stewart* in 1722, and Mr. *Benjamin Hooper*, who was the only one drank to by Sir *George Mertins* in 1725, paid their reſpective Fines, to excuſe them from ſerving the Office of Sheriffs.

The ſame Day at Noon a Court of Huſtings was held at *Guildhall*, to chuſe two fit and able Gentlemen to ſerve the Office of Sheriffs of this City and County of *Middleſex* for the Year enſuing, when Mr. *Simon Whadcock*, Citizen and Mercer, who was drank to by Sir *William Stewart* in the Year 1722, and Mr. *Robert Edwards*, Citizen and Ironmonger, by Sir *Peter Delme* in 1724, were unanimouſly elected, being both Gentlemen next eligible on the Liſt to ſerve the ſaid Office.

On Thurſday Night laſt ſome Rogues broke into the Houſe of one *Sarah Selby*, aged 93 Years, who kept the *Thiſtle* and *Crown Alehouſe* at *Wooburn* in *Buckinghamſhire*; the Rogues went up Stairs, and finding her in Bed, cut her Throat from Ear to Ear, and then carried off Money and other Things to the Value of upwards of 300l.

On Saturday laſt came on a Trial in the Court of *Exchequer* at *Weſtminſter*, wherein the King was Plaintiff, and Mr. *Loveday*, late of *Colcheſter* in *Eſſex*, Defendant; the Action was brought againſt the Defendant for clandeſtinely running 700 Weight of Tea, and the Fact being plainly proved, the Jury gave a Verdict for the King, with 482l. Damages.

They write from *Dover*, that a Boat belonging to that Place croſſing the laſt Week to *Calais*, was over-ſet by a Gale of Wind, and five Men who were in her drowned.

We hear by Letters from *Spain*, that great Preparations are making in all the Sea-Port Towns along the *Mediterranean* Coaſt, for a third Embarkation of Troops for *Italy*, which, 'tis ſaid, will conſiſt of 20,000 Men.

Thoſe Letters add, that his *Catholick* Majeſty had rais'd the Count *de Montemar*, now Prince of *Bitonto*, to the Dignity of Grandee of *Spain* of the firſt Claſs, on Account of his late Succeſs over the *Imperialiſts*.

The *Spaniards* have taken *Reggio*, a Town in the Kingdom of *Naples*, garriſon'd by *Germans*.

By the laſt Letters from the *Imperial* Army on the *Rhine* there is certain Advice, that Prince *Maximilian* of *Heſſe* is to command the Body of *Imperial* Grenadiers that is to commence the Attack on the *French* Lines, for which the neceſſary Preparations were making, as believing that this Step will draw on a general Engagement.

Preferment. Sir *James Chamberlain*, Knt. ſucceeds his Grace the Duke of *Richmond* as Captain of a Troop in his Majeſty's Royal Regiment of Horſe Guards Blue, commanded by his Grace the Duke of *Argyll*.

Deaths. Laſt Week died at *Horn-Caſtle* in *Lincolnſhire*, *George Heron*, Eſq;——On Saturday died the only ſurviving Son of the late Major *Hanbury*.

Bankrupt. Bryan Weldon, of *Thames-ſtreet*, *London*, Oil-Cooper and Chapman.

TUESDAY, *July* 9.

Yeſterday Lieutenant *Gage*, of his Majeſty's Ship the *Medley*, had a Verdict of 30l. Damages given againſt him in the Court of *Common Pleas* at *Weſtminſter*, for impreſſing and detaining on board the *Royal Eſcape Tender* at *Union-Stairs*, *Wapping*, Mr. *Thomas Bennet*, a Merchant of this City, under Pretence that he was a proper Perſon to ſerve his Majeſty as a common Sailor on board the Fleet, tho' the ſaid Mr. *Bennet* produc'd Bank Bills for about 1200l. to the Defendant, when he took him out of his own Pleaſure Boat on the *Thames* the 2d of *May* laſt.

In the ſame Court two Sheriffs Officers had a Verdict of 6l. and Coſts of Suit given againſt them, for arreſting and detaining a Gentleman at *Wapping* three Hours in a Spunging-Houſe, when the Writ was directed againſt another Perſon.

Yeſterday came on a Trial in the Court of *Common-Pleas* at *Weſtminſter*, before the Lord Chief Juſtice *Eyre*, wherein Mr. *Thomas Smith*, Broker, was Plaintiff, and Mr. *John Swan*, Defendant; the Action was brought againſt the Defendant for 500l. Damages, for Slander and Defamation, whereby the Plaintiff loſt the marrying of Mrs. *Mary Peirce*, a Woman of conſiderable Subſtance; and after examining ſeveral Witneſſes on both Sides, the Jury gave a Verdict for the Plaintiff, and one Shilling Damage.

On Sunday Night one *George Broom*, a Ticket-Porter, formerly a Goldſmith in *Fetter Lane*, hanged himſelf with his Apron-Strings in the Work-houſe in *Shoe Lane*; and laſt Night the Coroner's Inqueſt ſat on his Body, and brought in their Verdict *Lunacy*.

Great Preparations are making for the Departure of his Excellency *Horatio Walpole*, Eſq; for the *Hague*, who is going thither in Quality of Ambaſſador-Extraordinary to the States General, and he will embark next Week in one of the King's Yachts for *Holland*.

His Excellency *William Finch*, Eſq; his Majeſty's Envoy at the *Hague*, will be ſent to the Court of *Spain*.

Death. Laſt Friday died, at *Holly-Port* near *Windſor*, *Thomas Morriſon*, Eſq; Brother to *George Morriſon*, Eſq; an eminent *Portugal* Merchant of this City.

WEDNESDAY, *July* 10.

Yeſterday the five following Malefactors were executed at *Tyburn*, viz. *William Ray*, for the Murder of his Wife; *Roger Bow*, for the Murder of the Butcher's Boy in *Hungerford-Market*; *Thomas Taverner*, for a Robbery on the Highway; *Peter Maſhee*, for a Street-Robbery; and *Richard Stevens*, alias *Evans*, for ſtealing Goods to the Value of 10l. *William Ray* broke his Halter juſt as the Cart drew from them, and by the Fall broke his Head; but was immediately tied up again, and ſuffered with the others. The Surgeons had a Warrant for his Body, but the Mob took it away from the Surgeons, and buried it. The Bodies of the other four were delivered to their Friends to be buried.

William Fletcher, late Cook to Mr. *Page*, who was condemned for Forgery, is reprieved only till Monday next.

On Monday laſt an Officer on Half-Pay, ſuppoſed to be diſordered in his Senſes, ſhot himſelf with a Piſtol, which was found by him on the Floor, at his Lodgings in *Angel-Court*, *Charing-Croſs*.

Yeſterday was held a Court of Aldermen at *Guildhall*, when Mr. *Whadcock* and Mr. *Edwards*, elected Sheriffs on Saturday laſt, petition'd the Court by their Proxies to be admitted to ſwear off; and Mr *Whadcock* being at *Coventry*, and Mr. *Edwards* in *Berkſhire*, both very ill, it was allow'd them till Tueſday next to tranſmit the proper Affidavits.

The ſame Day Mr. *Joſiah Nicholſon*, Brewer, who was drank to by Sir *Edward Becher* in 1728, paid his Fine into the Chamber of *London*, in order to be excus'd ſerving the Office of Sheriff.

On Monday Night laſt one *Jane Stacey* was committed to *Newgate*, on a Charge of having about Nine o'Clock the ſame Night made up to a *French* Officer of his moſt *Chriſtian* Majeſty's Guards, who was walking in St. *James's-Park*, and very impudently putting her Hand to his Breeches, ſlipt it in an Inſtant into his Foo-Pocket, out of which ſhe pull'd a very fine Nun's-work Purſe, wrought with Gold and divers Colours, with this Motto in *French*, *Ceux qui donnent la Charite ſont Benis de Dieu*; the ſaid Purſe contain'd 26 new Louis d'Ors, three Half Guineas, and a Gold Medal of great Value, having on one Side the Effigy of a *Roman* Emperor, and on the other Side theſe Words, *Victoria Auguſta*. The Gentleman not ſpeaking any *Engliſh*, and finding his Purſe gone, took hold of the Woman, who was ſupported by three Soldiers, who violently aſſaulted him, one ſtriking him over the Arm with his Piece, whilſt another in his Sight took the Purſe from her, and made off; notwithſtanding which, he kept his Hold and ſecur'd the ſaid Woman.

Preferments. His Grace the Archbiſhop of *Canterbury* has appointed Dr. *Wintle* to be Warden of *Merton* College, in the room of Dr. *Holland*, deceaſed.——Yeſterday came on at *Salters-Hall* the Election of a Tueſday's Lec-

turer for St. *Dunſtan's* in the *Eaſt*, the Salters Company being the Electors, when the Rev. Mr. *Berriman* was choſen by a great Majority.

Deaths. We hear that the Lady Dowager *Clifford* died lately at her Seat in *Devonſhire:* Her Ladyſhip was Daughter and Coheir to Sir *Thomas Preſton*, of the Manor in *Lancaſhire*, Knt.——Yeſterday died, at his Chambers in *Clement's-Inn*, Mr. *Luthbridge*, an eminent Attorney at Law.

Bankrupt. Nathaniel Burton, of *Oſweſtry*, in the County of *Salop*, Chapman.

THURSDAY, *July* 11.

Yeſterday the Seſſions began at the *Old Bailey*, when the four following Perſons were capitally convicted, *viz. Nicholas Balding*, for robbing his Maſters, Meſſrs. *Chaſe* and Company, of Linnen to the Value of 40 l. and upwards; *Mary Haycock*, *Elizabeth Tracey*, and *Anne Knight*, on three Indictments, on the Information of *Mary Brown*, an Accomplice, whoſe Brother and Siſter were condemned for coining at a former Seſſions at the *Old Bailey*, and afterwards executed at *Tyburn*, but ſhe reprieved, for counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom.

Elizabeth Haycock, Daughter of the above *Mary Haycock*, was tried on the three Indictments with her Mother for coining, and acquitted.

Yeſterday Morning at Six o'Clock, was interr'd at *Fulham* Church, Mrs. *Savill*, Wife of the Rev. Mr. *Savill*, of *Willifdon*, and Mother to Sir *George Savill*, Bart. She was in the 88th Year of her Age, and bequeath'd Gowns, &c. of Grey Cloth, to as many aged Women of the three neighbouring Pariſhes as ſhe was Years old.

On Monday laſt the Lady *Hamilton*, Wife to the Right Hon. the Lord *William Hamilton*, miſcarried, and lies dangerouſly ill.

Her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of *Orange* is to lye-in here, for which Purpoſe the neceſſary Preparations are making.

His Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales* having dropt his Gold Watch, with three Seals to it, in St. *James's-Park* on Sunday Night laſt, a Servant to Mr. *Darlow*, the Queen's Farrier, took it up at Three o'Clock the next Morning, at that End of the *Mall* next *Buckingham-Houſe*, and not knowing that his Royal Highneſs had loſt a Watch till Yeſterday, he then waited on his Royal Highneſs with the ſame, who ordered him a Reward of 20 Guineas.

Yeſterday came on a Cauſe before the Lord Chief Juſtice *Eyre* in the Court of *Common-Pleas* at *Weſtminſter*, between one *Jeſſop*, late Groom to Sir *Robert Fagg*, Bart. Plaintiff, and the ſaid Sir *Robert Fagg*, Bart. Defendant; on an Action for Wages and Board Wages due to the Plaintiff; and after ſeveral learned Arguments of Counſel on both Sides, a Verdict was given for the Plaintiff, with 109 l. Damage.

The ſame Day came on a Trial in the Court of *Common-Pleas* at *Weſtminſter*, between Mr. *James Jervaiſe*, Plaintiff, and Mr. *Alexander Blackwell*, Defendant; the Cauſe of Action was, that the Defendant exercis'd the Art and Myſtery of a Printer, not having ſerv'd a regular Apprenticeſhip to the Trade: The Action was brought upon the Statute of 5 *Eliz.* and after being learnedly argued by Counſel on both Sides, the Jury gave a Verdict for the Plaintiff, and 40 s. Damage, for exerciſing the ſaid Trade for the Space of one Month.

On Tueſday Night laſt Capt. *Hyam* ſhot himſelf with a Piſtol, at his Lodgings near *Charing-Croſs*: The Occaſion of this melancholy Accident is attributed to ſome conſiderable Loſſes he lately met with in the World.

Yeſterday was held a General Court of the *Charitable Corporation*, for the taking the Ballot upon the following Queſtion, *viz.*

'That this Court highly approve the filing the Bill a-
'gainſt the late Committee-Men and Aſſiſtants, and
'others whoſe Names have been now read, and of
'the other Steps taken by the Court of Committee,
'for the Recovery of the Money and Effects due to
'this Corporation:

When the injur'd Proprietors gave a becoming Inſtance of their Zeal and Reſolution to proſecute a Set of Perſons who have been guilty of ſo notorious a Plunder; for on caſting up the Ballot the Numbers appear'd as follow:

For the Queſtion —— —— —— 394
Againſt the Queſtion —— —— —— 77
Majority —— 317

Extract of a private Letter from the Imperial *Army on the* Rhine, *dated* July 10. *N. S.*

We cannonade the *French* Camp from two Batteries of 14 Pieces of Ordnance each, one of which is on the Side of *Waghauſel*, and the other towards *Graben*. On the 7th the Enemy began their Fire. They have no leſs than ſix Batteries, and do us ſome Damage. Prince *Eugene* ſeems intent upon two Projects, one of which will be certainly carried into Execution in a ſhort Time. If he finds it impracticable to force the Enemy's Lines, and raiſe the Siege of *Philipſburg*, he will croſs the *Rhine*, and lay the Country of *Alſace* under Contribution to the Emperor. The Marſhal *d'Aſfeldt*, under Apprehenſion of this, has divided his Army into three Parts: One Corps of 30,000 Men carries on the Siege; another of 55,000 Men, commanded by the Marſhal *de Noailles*, the Prince *de Tingry*, and Count *Maurice* of *Saxony*, defends the Head of the Entrenchments, whilſt a third, compos'd of Cavalry to the Number of 36,000, guards the Banks of the *Rhine* under the Command of the Duke *de Duras*, the Count *de Belliſle*, and Lieutenant-General *de Quadt*. The *French* have ſent all their Baggage whatſoever to the other Side the *Rhine*. The Night before laſt, juſt at the dead Time, when both Armies ſeem'd ſtill and quiet, the Enemy made a Sally with 6000 Grenadiers upon the Van Guards of our Army, conſiſting of 8000 Men; but the Alarm being taken, before the Duke of *Wirtemberg*, who was a Bed in his Tent, could dreſs and get a Horſeback, the *French* retreated back to their Lines, contenting themſelves with deſtroying ſome of our advanc'd Works, and giving us a Volley or two of their ſmall Arms.

Marriages. Yeſterday *Anthony Kemp*, Eſq; a Gentleman of a large Eſtate in the County of *Suſſex*, was married to Miſs *Stourton*, Niece to the Right Hon. the Lord *Stourton*.——On Sunday laſt the Right Hon. the Lord *Edward Herbert*, ſecond Son to the Marquis of *Powis*, was married to the Lady *Henrietta Waldegrave*, only Daughter to the Earl *Waldegrave*.

FRIDAY, *July* 12.

Yeſterday at the Seſſions at the *Old Bailey* ſeveral Priſoners were try'd, two whereof were capitally convicted, *viz. Catherine Bougle*, alias *Tracey*, for coining; and *Humphry Rammington*, for the Murder of *William Wells* with a Dung-Fork, at the *Windmill* Alehouſe at *Whetſtone*.

James Firth, tried for the Murder of *Valentine Clark*, in a Boxing-Match, was found guilty of *Manſlaughter*.

Elizabeth Haycock, Daughter of *Mary Haycock*, who was condemned laſt Wedneſday for coining, and ſhe acquitted, was Yeſterday diſcharged by the Court.

His Majeſty has been pleas'd to reprieve for perpetual Tranſportation, *William Fletcher*, the Gentleman's Cook who has lain ſome Time under Sentence of Death in *Newgate*, for forging ſeveral Tradeſmens Hands to Receipts for Money, and was to have ſuffer'd on Tueſday laſt, with the other Malefactors, but had his Execution reſpited after the Dead Warrant was come down.

They write from *Watford* in *Hertfordſhire*, that a young Woman going to Church there on Sunday laſt, from a lone Houſe at ſome ſmall Diſtance from the Town, was met by ſome barbarous Villains, who raviſh'd her, and afterwards ſtript and murder'd her in a moſt ſhocking and inhuman Manner, her Throat being found cut from Ear to Ear, and her Body ſtabb'd in ſeveral Places.

On Sunday laſt the Daughter of Mr. *Lee*, a wealthy Farmer at *Chiſwick*, drowned herſelf in a Pond near *Paddington*, occaſion'd, as 'tis ſaid, by a young Fellow of the Neighbourhood, who had courted her for five Years, having that Day married another Woman.

Yeſterday two Chairmen were order'd to be in continual Waiting on the Princeſs Royal at *Kenſington*, to carry her Royal Highneſs up and down Stairs, to prevent any Accident whilſt her Royal Highneſs is in her Pregnancy.

We hear that a Marriage is near concluded between the Duke of *Holſtein Gottorp* and her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs *Amelia*, his Majeſty's ſecond Daughter.

Yeſterday Mr. *Edward Strong*, Citizen and Maſon, who was drank to by Sir *John Eyles* in 1727, paid his Fine into the Chamber of *London*, to excuſe himſelf from ſerving the Office of Sheriff.

We hear that on Tueſday next will be held a Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen at *Guildhall*, when *Simon Whadcock*, Eſq; Mercer, and *Robert Edwards*, Eſq; Ironmonger, who were choſen Sheriffs of this City and County of *Middleſex* on Saturday laſt for the Year enſuing, will be diſcharg'd from the ſaid Office by ſwearing they were not worth 10,000 l. at the Time they were elected; and ſoon after that Day there will be a Meeting of ſome Liverymen of this City, to conſider of fit and proper Perſons to be choſe into that Office at the next Common Hall, which probably will be the next Week. The Gentlemen that now ſtand firſt on the Liſt of thoſe that have been nominated by the ſeveral Lord Mayors are, *Thomas Walker*, Eſq; Ironmonger, and *Jacob Tonſon*, ſen. Eſq; Stationer.

The following Days are appointed for holding the Summer Aſſizes in *South Wales*:

Richard Carter and *Henry Proctor*, Eſqrs;

Glamorganſhire, Saturday, Auguſt 24, at the Town of Cardiff.

Breconſhire, Friday 30, at the Town of Brecon.

Radnorſhire, Thurſday, September 5, at the Town of Preſteigne.

A great Quantity of *Engliſh* Beer, Mum and Perry, is ordered to be got ready, to be ſent as a Preſent from his Majeſty to the moſt *Chriſtian* King.

Yeſterday Morning early a Man was found hanging on a Pile near *Paris Garden-Stairs*, with his Throat cut, and a bloody Razor lying by him. He lay Yeſterday in open View, but was not known that Morning.

Marriage. Yeſterday his Grace the Duke of *Portland* was married at *Oxford* Chapel to the Lady *Margaret Harley*, only Daughter of the Earl of *Oxford*.

Death. Yeſterday Morning died of the Dead Palſy, at his Houſe in *Pall-Mall*, the Right Hon. the Lord *William Hamilton*, Brother to his Grace the Duke of *Hamilton* and *Brandon*, who was choſen Member of the preſent Parliament for the Shire of *Lanerk* in *Scotland*.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Hague, July 16. N. S.

PRINCE *Eugene* is at laſt within a Quarter of a League of the *French* Entrenchments, which he cannonades with more Fury than they cannonade the Town of *Philipſburg*. The *Pruſſians*, who diſpute with the reſt of the Army the Honour of ſtriking the firſt Stroke, have erected a Battery upon the Bank of the *Rhine* near *Rheinhauſen*, to ſink the Bridge which the *French* have at that Place. We expect every Moment to hear that Prince *Eugene* has puſhed the Enemy into the *Rhine*: It is not the firſt Time that River and the *Danube* have ſerved the *French* for Graves. However, the Emperor's Affairs on that Side ſeem to be in a very good Way: The ſame cannot be ſaid of *Italy*, where it is to be feared the *Imperialiſts* have met with a Blow.

Naples, June 22. The Towns of *Gaeta* and *Capua* having been lately ſummon'd to ſurrender to his *Catholick* Majeſty's Arms, the Governor of the latter requir'd Permiſſion to ſend a Courier with a Letter to the Emperor, and demanded a Term of twenty Days to wait an Anſwer; but the other reply'd boldly, that he meant to defend himſelf to the laſt; whereupon ſeveral Batteries have been rais'd to attack him in Form. All *Calabria* is ſubdu'd except the Caſtle of *Lotrona*, which a *German* Garriſon ſtill defends. Six Galleys are ſail'd hence to reduce the ſole Place that remains unconquer'd in the Province of *Otranto*.

Rome, June 26. The Pope has made a Preſent to the Prince of *Santa-Cruce* of a magnificent Suit of Furniture for the Horſe he is to ride the Day he preſents the Pad to his Holineſs in the Name of the Emperor, as a Tribute for the Kingdom of *Naples*. The Duke *de Ceſarini*, who was appointed by *Don Carlos* to preſent likewiſe a Pad on the ſame Account, is retir'd to *Genzano*, the Pope having declar'd that he could not receive one from that Prince. Mr. *Ratto*, the *Spaniſh* Miniſter, had a private Audience of his Holineſs on Saturday laſt, to acquaint him that the King his Maſter had nam'd the Infant *Don Lewis*, his youngeſt Son, to be Archbiſhop of *Toledo*. *Don Lewis* is in the 7th Year of his Age.

Vienna, July 3. The Emperor has nominated five Lieutenant Generals to repair to the Army in *Italy*, but the Liſt is not yet made publick.

Mantua, July 3. We have Advice, that on the 29th of laſt Month, a bloody Battle was fought near *Parma*, between the *Imperial* Army and that of the Allies: We have not as yet the Particulars; 'tis only known, that a Number of General Officers have been kill'd on our Side, particularly Count *Merci*, the Prince of *Culmbach*, and Count *Palfi*. General *de la Tour* was wounded and made Priſoner by the Enemy; Prince *Lewis* of *Wirtemberg* received two Wounds; and the Princes of *Darmſtadt* and *Waldeck*, General *Welſeck*, the Counts of *Althan* and *Harrach*, and about 220 Officers, have been either killed or wounded. The Grenadiers and the Dragoons who took Part in the Engagement on Foot, have very much ſuffer'd, and 'tis judg'd, that about 10,000 private Soldiers were either killed or wounded. We are aſſur'd however, that the Enemy's Loſs is ſtill more conſiderable, that they had no leſs than 15,000 Men kill'd, beſides a great Number of Officers, and many of Diſtinction. On the Morrow after the Battle, our Troops retreated to their Camp near *Monte-Chirogole*, and the Enemy return'd to their Lines.

From the Camp before Dantzick, July 7. The Capitulation of *Dantzick* was ratified this Day: That City has found Means to ſoften Count *Munich*, and his Excellency has dropt his Demands from four Millions of Rubles to one Million of Crowns, towards defraying the joint Expence of the two Armies, and one Million more for the Uſe of the *Ruſſians* ſolely. Two hundred *Saxons* are to be allowed to keep Guard at the Gate of *Oliva*. The Primate has been conducted to *Elbing*, where he is a Priſoner at large.

Manheim, July 8. According to ſome particular Advices from the Camp before *Philipſburg*, the *French* batter

with great Force the Crownwork which covers the Body of the Place; the Befieg'd defend themſelves with equal Vigour, and repair every Night the Damages done to their Works by Day.

From the Upper Rhine, July 9. The *French* Troops who are on the other Side the River made a general Forage on the 7th, from *Spire* to *Frankenthal*, and ſent away all the Corn they could find to their Army before *Philipſburg*. The *French* ſuffer no Strangers to croſs the *Rhine* over their Bridges, which makes us quite unknowing in the State of the Siege. The Rains have fallen lately to ſuch a Degree, that the *Rhine* is anew riſen conſiderably. The two Armies continue to cannonade each other with great Vigour.

From the Camp at Wiſenthal, July 9. As ſoon as the Prince Royal of *Pruſſia* arrived here, he made a Viſit to his Highneſs Prince *Eugene*, who immediately after return'd one to his Royal Highneſs. Our Approaches are carrying on apace towards the Enemies Trenches. We loſt Yeſterday twelve Men, four of which were *Pruſſians*. Our Batteries never ceaſe firing upon the Enemy, who laſt Night made a Sally, but were drove back in a very ſhort Time. The Governor of *Philipſburg* has at length abandon'd the Hornwork, and the *French* have erected Batteries thereon, in Hopes to make a Breach in the Crownwork, which they propoſe to attack by the 12th or 13th Inſtant.

Berlin, July 10. We have received Advice from *Pruſſia*, that King *Staniſlaus* having retir'd from *Dantzick* in the Night of the 28th of laſt Month, diſguis'd like a Peaſant, had paſs'd in a ſmall Bark the Inundation with which the *Ruſſians* had ſurrounded Part of the City; and that his Majeſty having afterwards ſtraggled above ſix Leagues on Foot, found Means to get a Conveyance to *Marienwerder*, where he arriv'd ſafely the 3d Inſtant. His Majeſty immediately made himſelf known to the *Pruſſian* Officer who commands there, and was furniſh'd by him with all Conveniences. That Prince wins extreamly upon all that approach him, not only by his Courage and Calmneſs amidſt his Misfortunes, but by a moſt engaging Affability and Addreſs.

Frankfort, July 11. The Prince Royal of *Pruſſia* arriv'd the 6th Inſtant at the *Imperial* Army. Nothing of Importance has yet happen'd between the two Armies. Prince *Eugene* having order'd a prodigious Quantity of Faſcines to be got together, in order to fill up the Ditches that the *French* have dug before their Entrenchments, ſix Men in each Company have been commanded to that Service; and 'tis ſurmis'd from this Diſpoſition of his Highneſs, that he propoſes to attack the Enemy very ſuddenly.

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